**Metro Railway, Calcutta**

449. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Wlil tht Ministe$_r$ of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it i$_s$ a fact that water has trickled down to th$_e$ tracks of the Metro Railway in Calcutta recently;

(b) whether it is als© a fact that the running of the Metro Railway is usually disrupted in tbe rainy reason; and

(c) if so, what precautions Government propos$_e$ to take to prevent accidents?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA); (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) No, Sir. There have been only three occasions when Rail traffic in Metro was disrupted in the current rainy season. Remedial measures, such as pressure grout'ng of seepage points, filling up of space between diaphragm wall 'and box wall by sand to prevent heading up of water, and strengthening of pumping arrangements are being taken.

**Transportation $_0$f Coal to Gujarat**

450. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state.

(a) what is the demand put forwaTd by Gujarat Government for different varieties of coal for the year 1986 and what js the allotment by coal industry and the capacity of railways to carry the same to Gujarat; and

(b) what was the requirement, actual allotment and delivery of different varieties of coal through the Railways during the last year?

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THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

**Co-operation from voluntary agencieg io family planning**

451. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what ar$_e$ th$_e$ new strategies adopted and Implemented for family planning in the Seventh Five Year Plan in com parison to the Sixth Five Year Plan;

(b) what are the new voluntary agencies set up for the purpose;

(c) what are the details of the cooperation sought and received from these voluntary agencies, their names and their performance;

(d) the names of the States which have given a good performance in regard to family planning and the detail* of their programmes;

(e) the number of eligible couples going to be protected from reproductive cycle this year in the age group of 15—44; and

(f) what is the amount spent during the last three years on family planning?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) The new strategies adopted for implementation during 7th Plan period under Family Welfare Programme, include:

(i) Programme of Universal Im-munisation for pregnant women and children;

(ii) Greater Flexibility in providing Assistance to voluntary organisations •— raising the powers of sanctions at the State|UT level;

(tii) Providing assistance to States for innovative schemes under the Flexible Approach Scheme;

(iv) Constitution of a Task Force in the Ministry of Human Resources Development ior raising the minimum age at marriage;

(v) A programme for training of IEC workers has been taken up in four States of U.P., Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and Bihar in the first phase. The Programme is likely to be extended to other States in due course.

(vi) Adoption of an Area Specific Approach with special focus on States having high fertility rates.

(b) and (c) This Ministry is encouraging the involvement of voluntary agencies in the fields of motivation, education and extension services for implementing the Family Welfare Programme.

(d) A set of statements showing state-wise and method-wise targets and achievements during 1985-88, is at Annexure-I. *[See* Appendix CXXXX1X, Annexure No. 26].

(e) 21.25 million acceptors (eligible couples) are targeted to be protected during the current year.

. (f) The departmental figures of expenditure on family Welfare during the last three years are as follows:—

(Rupees in Crores)

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| 1983-84 | 382.98 |
| 1984-85 | 423.77 |
| 1985-86 | 485.72* |

*Provisional.

**Issue of licence for trawler industry**

452. SHRl K. VASUDEVA PANICKER : Will ihe Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are awara that, delay in issuing licences has badly hit ihe trawler industry; and

(b) if so, what steps are being taken to improve the situation?

TH£ MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT); (a) and (b) There are two types of licences invoived while procuring a fishing trawler. One for importing a trawler from abroad and Lhe other relates to import of components while building a fishing trawler indigenously.

As regards licence for importing a trawler from abroad (CCP) there has been no un-due delay. There has however been some initial delay due to lengthy piocedures for issuing import licence for import of components for building iishing trawlers indigenously. The same has been streamlined in January, 1986. It is expected that the new procedure will substantially cut down the time for issue of impoit licence to various indigenous ship-yards. However efficacy of the system is under constant review by the Empowered Committee on Fishing Trawlers.

**Medical Bill Racket in DTC**

453. SHRI J. P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to stale:

(a) whether Government have asked the Central Bureau of Investigation tO' investigate into the multi-crore medical bill racket operating in Ihe Delhi Transport Corporation;

(b) what was the amount of reimbursement of medical bills in DTC for the last three years, year-wise;

(c) whether some officers of the DTC bave since been suspended pending investigations and if so, what are the details thereof;